

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 411
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A RESOLUTION to commend Jenny Lynn Buffington for
exemplary service as a legislative intern.

WHEREAS, each legislative session this body is pleased to recognize certain persons who have committed themselves, through their adroit service, to the betterment of the legislative process; and

WHEREAS, Jenny Lynn Buffington is one such individual who has distinguished herself in her role as a legislative intern for Senator Jamie Hagood; Jenny's work has resulted in innumerable benefits for the legislators she assisted and the General Assembly as a whole; and

WHEREAS, a Highest Honors graduate of Columbia Central High School in Maury County, Jenny Buffington is the daughter of Gary and Lynn Buffington, and sister of Jared Buffington who is presently enrolled at the United States Military Academy at West Point; and

WHEREAS, a Senior at Union University, where she is highly regarded by her peers, Jenny has achieved academic success while majoring in Political Science and participating in numerous extracurricular activities such as the Tennessee Intercollegiate State Legislature, where she was named a member of the Governor's Staff for 2002-03; and

WHEREAS, a recognized leader among her peers, Jenny has served as Freshman Council Secretary, Sophomore Class Secretary, Junior Class Secretary and Senior Class Secretary in addition to serving on a mission trip to Honduras and as a Fundraising Team Leader for St. Jude Children's Hospital; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to awards and accolades, Ms. Buffington received the Lewis Moore Award from the Tennessee Political Science Association for Best Undergraduate Research Paper in 2005, won the Chautauqua Summer Program Scholarship in 2004 and was named to the National Dean's List for 2002-03 and 2004-05; and

WHEREAS, eager to familiarize herself with the characteristics and complexity of Tennessee state government and to further her studies, Jenny Buffington brought her many abilities and singular expertise to Capitol Hill for the 2005 session of the One Hundred Fourth General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, ably serving as the committee intern for the Senate Education Committee and Chair Senator Jamie Hagood throughout the 2005 legislative session, Jenny has surpassed all criteria that define a devoted and conscientious legislative intern; and

WHEREAS, an extremely talented and intelligent young lady, Ms. Buffington's future plans include attending law school to pursue what will undoubtedly be an exemplary career in family law; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Buffington has performed her many duties with extraordinary insight and rare decorum; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend Jenny Lynn Buffington for outstanding service as a legislative intern for Senator Jamie Hagood and extend to her our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.